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ABSTRACT

The Library Service and Construction Act (LSCA) assists the state of Alabama in the extension and improvement of public library services to areas and populations of the state which are without such service or to which such services are inadequate. Federal LSCA monies are administered by the Alabama Public Library Service and are spent on local and statewide projects. This report describes the use of LSCA funds for library programs and services in Alabama's seven congressional districts. For each district, a table of library names, project names, title number, and grant amount is provided. A short paragraph summarizes the major 1994 grants for each of the congressional districts. Member lists are provided for the 1995 LSCA Advisory Council, the Alabama Public Library Service Executive Board, and the Alabama Public Library Service. (MAS)

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This project was made possible in part by Library Services and Construction Act funds.

Library Services and Construction Act

The Library Services and Construction Act (LSCA) P.L. 101-254, assists the state of Alabama in the extension and improvement of public library services to areas and populations of the state which are without such services or to which such services are inadequate.

It is the further pupose of this Act to assist with:

1) public library construction and renovation;

2) improving state and local public library services for older Americans and for handicapped, institutionalized and other disadvantaged individuals;

3) strengthening the state library administrative agency;

4) promoting interlibrary cooperation and resource sharing among all types of libraries;

5) strengthening major urban resource libraries; and

6) increasing the capacity of libraries to keep up with rapidly changing information technology.

The Library Services and Construction Act is a state-administered grant and in Alabama, the administration rests with the Alabama Public Library Service.

The LSCA falls within the definition of a categorical grant and it is permissive legislation in that it does not define the specific actions that must be taken in order to fulfill this mandate.

Alabama Public Library Service

The Alabama Public Library Service is charged with improving library services throughout the state to ensure that all citizens have access to quality library and information services.

Part of this charge includes the responsibility for receiving and administering federal funds to the more than 200 public libraries in Alabama.

Federal Library Services and Construction Act monies are spent on statewide projects at the Alabama Public Library Service. These projects include providing reference services, interlibrary loans, audiovisual materials, continuing education programs and consultant services to the public libraries.

Other major statewide projects funded through LSCA include the coordination of a statewide children's summer reading program. In 1994, more than 45,000 children participated in the program. The agency also collects and interprets statistics and provides a professional training program to promote quality public library service through the development of professional librarians.

LSCA monies also provide library services to the institutionalized mentally ill and mentally retarded and to inmates at adult correctional facilities in Alabama.

At APLS, the Alabama Union List of Serials, ALICAT and other technology and equipment are funded by LSCA dollars.

The following pages describe the use of these federal funds for library programs and services in Alabama's seven congressional districts. **When public library service areas are included in two congressional districts, they are listed in each district and noted by an asterisk.**

Statewide Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
Alabama Public Library Service	Net-Lending to Public Libraries	1	$ 10,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Regional Library for the Blind and Phys. Handicapped	1	25,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Summer Reading Program	1	10,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Video Projection	1	100,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Alabama Interlibrary Catalog (ALICAT)	3	162,495
Alabama Public Library Service	Alabama Union List of Serials	3	30,000
Alabama Public Library Service	Net-Lending to Universities	3	40,000
Alabama Dept. of Corrections	Alabama Prison System's Library Services	1	26,467
Alabama Dept. of Corrections	Correctional Libraries Bibliographic Automation	1	5,000
Alabama Dept. of Mental Health/Retd	Services to Institutions	1	** 42,166
Alabama Dept. of Youth Services	Read By Choice; Chalkville Campus	1	6,100
Alabama Public Library Service	Professional Training Grants -- Public Librarians -- parttime	1	8,250

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS

District One

HERBERT LEON CALLAHAN

District One includes the counties of Baldwin, Clarke (portion), Escambia, Mobile, Monroe and Washington.

LSCA-funded programs in District One include a $10,000 collection development grant to the Washington County Public Library for rural extension/outreach. The grant specifically targets rural residents and provides a core collection of materials for extension services.

Also in District One, the Baldwin County Library System received a $5,000 grant to purchase and implement a CD-ROM based union catalog for Baldwin County. The grant will help improve the accuracy and efficiency of the cataloging and interlibrary loan process and work toward providing a union catalog in MARC format for system members and for the use of cooperative file-sharing ventures.

District One Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
Baldwin County Library System	Bookmobile Collection Update	1	$ 7,000
Baldwin County Library System	CD-ROM Based Union Catalog for Baldwin County	1	5,000
Brewton Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Brewton Public Library	Equipment Grant	1	5,000
Daphne Public Library	Very Important Readers	1	10,000
Flomaton Public Library	Collection Development/ Technological Enhancement	1	2,065
Foley Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Foley Public Library	Daycare Outreach	1	3,916
Foley Public Library	Microform Reader/Printer	1	4,000
Mobile Public Library	Collection Development/Saraland	1	10,000
Mobile Public Library	MURL	1	25,000
Washington County Public Library	Collection Development for Rural Extension/Outreach	1	10,000
White Smith Memorial Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000

District Two

TERRY EVERETT

District Two includes the counties of Autauga, Barbour, Bullock, Butler, Coffee, Conecuh, Covington, Crenshaw, Dale, Elmore, Geneva, Henry, Houston, Montgomery (portion) and Pike.

District Two LSCA grants included a $5,000 appropriation to the Greenville - Butler County Library System for automation technology. Future plans include total automation of services and CD-ROM access to informational sources.

Also in District Two, the Montgomery City-County Public Library received a $25,000 Major Urban Resource Library grant. The money will be used as ongoing maintenance of effort to provide in-depth research resources normally unavailable in smaller communities.

District Two Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
Cross Trails Regional Library	Fax Grant	1	$ 5,000
Daleville Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Emma Knox Kenan Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Enterprise Public Library	Collection Development (500's Update)	1	10,000
Eufaula Carnegie Library	Collection Development	1	10,000
Greenville-Butler Co. Public Lib.	Automation for G-BCPL	1	5,000
Greenville-Butler Co. Public Lib.	Collection Development—Biography, Children's Fiction	1	10,000
Houston-Love Memorial Library	Strengthening the Travel, History and Biography Collection	1	10,000
• Montgomery City-Co. Public Library	MURL	1	25,000
Newton Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Ozark-Dale County Public Library	Collection Development (300 and 900)	1	5,000
Town and County Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Union Springs Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
• Wetumpka Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000

**Reflects library's service area is in two districts. Grant reported in both districts.*

District Three

GLEN BROWDER

District Three includes the counties of Bibb (portion), Calhoun, Chambers, Chilton, Clay, Cleburne, Coosa, Lee, Macon, Randolph, Russell, St. Clair, Talladega and Tallapoosa.

Projects funded in this district include an $11,467 grant to the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind for automation of library operations using the Reader Enrollment and Delivery Systems developed by the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped.

Also in District Three, the Auburn Public Library received a $10,000 grant to purchase easy fiction books for its collection. The books will help prepare children for school and encourage early reading.

District Three Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
* Alabama Institute for Deaf & Blind	Reader Advisement Automation Proposal	1	$ 11,467
Ashland City Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Auburn Public Library	Collection Development—Easy Fiction	1	10,000
Auburn Public Library	Technology Enhancement—BiblioFile Cataloging	1	5,000
B. B. Comer Memorial Library	BiblioFile Circulation	1	12,506
B. B. Comer Memorial Library	Collection Development: Science and Technology	1	10,000
Earle A. Rainwater Memorial Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Horseshoe Bend Regional Library	Reference and Interlibrary Loan	1	5,285
Lewis Cooper Jr. Memorial Library	Collection Development Program	1	1,500
Lincoln Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Lineville Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Macon County-Tuskegee Pub. Library	Technology Enhancement	1	5,000
Macon County-Tuskegee Pub. Library	New Macon County-Tuskegee Public Library	2	274,624
Millbrook Public Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Public Lib. of Anniston/Calhoun Co.	Collection Development—Nonfiction	1	10,000
* Wetumpka Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000

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District Four

TOM BEVILL

District Four includes the counties of Blount, Cherokee, Cullman, DeKalb, Etowah, Fayette, Franklin, Lamar, Lawrence (portion), Marion , Marshall, Pickens (portion), Walker and Winston.

In District Four, the Cullman County Public Library received a $10,000 grant to purchase reading materials for children in the juvenile and easy levels. Teachers, educators and others involved with children's programs and instruction will also utilize these materials.

Another District Four LSCA project was a $3,000 grant to the Ider Public Library for the purchase of computer technology. With its matching funds, the library will purchase a copier, computer, software and fax machine.

District Four Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
* Alabama Institute for Deaf & Blind	Reader Advisement Automation Proposal	1	$ 11,467
* Alabama Library Exchange (ALEX)	Enlarged Information Access for Rural and Small Public.....	3	7,423
* Aliceville Public Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Arab Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Boaz Public Library	Collection Development	1	2,000
Carl Elliott Regional Library	Collection Development in the Dewey 900's	1	10,000
Carl Elliott Regional Library	Outreach for Pre-school Children at Risk	1	10,000
Carrollton Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Clyde Nix Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Collinsville Public Library	Collection Development	1	2,000
Cullman County Public Library	Childrens Collection Enrichment Program	1	10,000
Cullman County Public Library	Main Library Automation Project (Phase I)	1	10,506
DeKalb County Public Library	Project Future Technology	1	5,000
Gadsden-Etowah Co. Public Library	Juvenile Nonfiction Collection Development	1	6,000
Geraldine Public Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Gordo Public Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	1,520
Grant Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Guntersville Public Library	Electronic Information	1	4,500
Ider Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Kennedy Public Library	Collection Development/ Technological Enhancement	1	1,500
* Library Management Network, Inc.	North Alabama Rural Library Online Bibliographic Access	3	25,000
MCHS Community Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Millport Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
* Pickens County Cooperative Library	Books on the Move	3	50,000
Rainsville Public Library	Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Reform Public Library	Collection Development/ Technological Enhancement	1	1,788
Russellville Public Library	Collection Development /Technological Enhancement	1	3,000
Sulligent Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Vernon Public Library	Collection Development	1	2,000
Weatherford Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Westside Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
* Wheeler Basin Regional Library	Eva Collection Development for Children	1	10,000
* Wheeler Basin Regional Library	Reference & interlibrary Loan	1	5,285
Winfield Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000

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District Five

ROBERT E. CRAMER

District Five includes the counties of Colbert, Jackson, Lauderdale, Lawrence (portion), Limestone, Madison and Morgan.

District Five LSCA grants include a $10,000 grant to Huntsville-Madison County Public Library. The library, in cooperation with the town of Triana, Triana Housing Authority, Triana Youth Center and the Madison County Commission, will establish a small library collection geared to the needs and interests of the youth of Triana.

Also in District Five, the Stevenson Public Library was awarded an $8,854 library automation grant to allow the library to link with the Library Management Network, contribute its resources to the LMN shared database and to benefit from the automated services which the network provides.

District Five Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
* Alabama Library Exchange (ALEX)	Enlarged Information Access for Rural and Small Public,....	3	$ 7,423
Cherokee Public Library	Collection Development	1	3,000
Huntsville-Madison Co. Public Lib.	Economics & Career Preparation: Expanding the Coll.	1	10,000
Huntsville-Madison Co. Public Lib.	Library Serv. to the At-Risk-Youth of Northwest Huntsville	1	10,000
Huntsville-Madison Co. Public Lib.	Library Service to Triana	1	10,000
Huntsville-Madison Co. Public Lib.	MURL	1	25,000
Jacksonville Public Library	Collection Development: Reference	1	10,000
Leighton Public Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	800
Lexington Public Library	Collection Development	1	1,000
* Library Management Network, Inc.	North Alabama Rural Library Online Bibliographic Access	3	25,000
Sheffield Public Library	Technology Enhancement	1	4,000
Stevenson Public Library	Library Automation	1	8,854
* Wheeler Basin Regional Library	Eva Collection Development for Children	1	10,000
* Wheeler Basin Regional Library	Reference and Interlibrary Loan	1	5,285

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District Six

SPENCER BACHUS

District Six includes the counties of Bibb (portion), Jefferson (portion), Shelby and Tuscaloosa (portion).

LSCA projects in District Six include a $3,000 grant to Gardendale Public Library for collection development. The library purchased literature materials for its collection.

LSCA monies in the amount of $32,715 were awarded to Mildred B. Harrison Regional Library to complete the automated circulation system for the public libraries of Shelby County. The grant helped to increase circulation, expedite in-county interlibrary loans, increase the availability of materials and provide methods for more accurate and efficient recordkeeping.

District Six Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
* Birmingham Public Library	MURL	I	$ 25,000
Calera Public Library	Collection Development	I	3,000
Columbiana Public Library	Collection Development	I	3,000
Gardendale Public Library	Collection Development	I	3,000
Helena Public Library	Collection Development	I	3,000
Lallouise F. McGraw Public Library	Collection Development	I	3,000
Mildred B. Harrison Reg. Library	Automation Completion	I	32,715
Mildred B. Harrison Reg. Library	Reference and Interlibrary Loan	I	5,285
Mildred B. Harrison Reg. Library	Reference Collection Enhancement	I	10,000
North Shelby County Library	Collection Development	I	10,000
Pelham Public Library	Collection Development	I	10,000
* Tuscaloosa Public Library	TPL Adult Non-fiction Collection Development	I	10,000
Wilsonville Public Library	Collection Development	I	3,000

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District Seven

EARL HILLIARD

District Seven includes the counties of Choctaw, Clarke (portion), Dallas, Greene, Hale, Jefferson (portion), Lowndes, Marengo, Montgomery (portion), Perry, Pickens (portion), Sumter, Tuscaloosa (portion) and Wilcox.

LSCA grants in District Seven include a $50,000 Books on the Move grant to Pickens County Cooperative Library. The project improved information and services through installation of a machine-readable bibliographic database. The database networks the collections of all public and school libraries in the county.

Also in District Seven, the Sumter County Library System received a $7,700 grant for a program for preschool children. The project provides outreach programs to children enrolled in daycare and Headstart centers in the county.

District Seven Projects

LIBRARY	PROJECT NAME	TITLE	AMOUNT
• Aliceville Public Library	Collection Development/Technological Enhancement	1	$ 3,000
• Birmingham Public Library	MURL	1	25,000
Hayneville/Lowndes Library System	Collection Development	1	3,000
• Montgomery City-Co. Public Library	MURL	1	25,000
• Pickens County Cooperative Library	Books on the Move	3	50,000
Selma-Dallas County Public Library	Collection Development—Gen. Geography and History	1	10,000
Sumter County Library System	Program for Preschool Children	1	7,700
• Tuscaloosa Public Library	TPL Adult Non-fiction Collection Developrnent	1	10,000

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